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CAUT Denounces Fed's Omnibus Budget Bill as Undemocratic

AUT is calling on the federal government to break up its omnibus budget bill and allow Canadians to have their voices heard over the controversial changes being

proposed.

Weighing in at nearly 450 pages, Bill C-38 is ostensibly intended to install the legislation required for budget measures unveiled

But the legislation goes far beyond this by amending and repealing dozens of pieces of Canadian law and making fundamental changes to everything from Employment Insurance rules and Old Age Security eligibility, to environmental review processes and employ ment equity requirements.

Speaking before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance in late May CAUT executive director James Turk said Bill C-38 is unprecedented in terms of the sheer number of changes to legislation and regulations and policy it proposes.

"The scale of the changes being proposed in one piece of legislation raises serious concerns not just about the substance of the bill, but also the process and lack of transparency, Turk said.

A section of the bill, if passed, contains changes to the Federal Contractors Program imple mented in 1986 by a Progressive Conservative government to further the goal of achieving workplace equity.

Under the program, organizations that have 100 or more employees and want to bid on a federal government contract or standing offer

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GAUT's blacked out website on June 4, 2012. Hundreds of websites across the country went dark in a "Black Out, Seak Out" campaign against proposed changes to federal laws included in Bill C-38, the government's budget implementation bill.

L'ACPPU dénonce le caractère antidémocratique du projet de loi omnibus sur le budget

9 ACPPU exhorte le gouvernement fédéral scinder son projet de loi omnibus sur le budget et à donner la possibilité aux Canadiens de s'exprimer sur les changements controverses qu'il propose.

Document-fleuve de près de 450 pages, le

projet de loi C-38 a pour objet, en apparence, de créer la loi qui permettra au gouvernement de mettre en oeuvre les mesures dévoilées dans

le budget déposé en mars dernier. En réalité, le texte de loi a une portée beaucoup plus large. Non seulement propose-t-il d'amender et d'abroger des douzaines de lois canadiennes, mais il renferme aussi des changements fondamentaux sur un vaste éventail de sujets, allant des règles de l'assurance-emploi

aux critères d'admissibilité aux prestations de la Sécurité de la vieillesse, des processus encadrant les évaluations environnementales aux exigences relatives à l'équité en matière

S'adressant au Comité permanent des finances de la Chambre des communes à la fin du mois de mai, le directeur général de l'ACPPU, James Turk, a déclaré que jamais un projet de loi n'avait proposè à lui seul autant de change

ments aux lois, réglements et politiques du

« L'ampleur des changements incorporés dans un seul texte de loi nous amène à nous interroger sur l'essence même du texte, certes, mais aussi sur la méthode employée par le gouvernement et sur son manque de transparence », a-t-il affirmé

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NEWS ACTUALITÉS

CAUT POLL

Canadians Overwhelmingly Oppose Tuition Increases

ANADIANS are increasingly concern-Aed about access to affordable postsecondary education, according to a national poll commissioned by CAUT in April.

The poll found that 49 per cent of Canadians believe it's harder to get an education today, and 86 per cent were in favour of lowering or freezing tuition fees. A solid majority of all Canadians (74 per cent) said students are being forced to take on too much debt.

Fifty-six per cent of Canadians said they would be willing to pay more taxes to support post-secondary edu-

"Canadians are worried about the burden of debt looming over the younger generation," said CAUT president Wayne Peters. "In the face of waning support, politicians need to start responding to growing unease about current austerity policies and worries about intergenerational equality."

Coupled with growing debt and few er public services for the younger generation, more than half (52 per cent) erauon, more than half [52 per cent] of those responding said they're opposed to pushing back the eligibility age for Old Age Security benefits to 67 from 65.

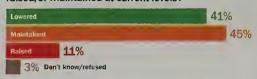
As part of the same poll, almost two Canadians agreed the March federal budget made too many cuts in public spending.

The study found that support for fed-eral conservatives took a hit, with the New Democrats inching to become the preferred governing party. Shortly after he was elected, NDP Leader Tom Mulcair had 32 per cent of popular support, compared to 30 per cent for Prime Minister Stephen Harper, with polls showing a statistical tie between the two parties.

The findings also show Canadians rank strengthening the economy and

Survey Results

Do you think tuition fees should be lowered. raised or maintained at current levels?



Which statement reflects your view of the budget?



If a federal election were being held tomorrow. who do you think you would be voting for?



lowering unemployment as top priorities for the federal government

Peters said the results show significant support for public services and education.

"Academic staff need to continue to work with students to emphasize the

importance of post-secondary educa-tion as a public good," he said. ■

The telephone survey was conducted by Harris-Decima from a poll of 2,016 adult Canadians between April 4 and April 16, 2012. The margin of error for the Canadians surveyed is $\pm 2.2\%$, 19 times out of 20.

SONDAGE DE L'ACPPU

Les Canadiens en majorité contre la hausse des droits de scolarité

ES Canadiens sont de plus en plus préoccupés par la question de l'accès à des êtudes postsecondaires abordables. selon un sondage national commandé en avril dernier par l'ACPPU.

Il ressort du sondage que 49 % des Canadiens sont d'avis qu'il est plus dif-ficile aujourd'hui de faire des ètudes, et que 86 % sont favorables à une baisse, voire à un gel, des droits de scolarité Une forte majorité (74 %) estime que les êtudiants sont poussés dans la spirale du surendettement.

Dans ce contexte, les Canadiens, dans une proportion de 56 %, seraient prêts à payer davantage d'impôts pour finan-cer l'éducation postsecondaire. « Les Canadiens s'inquiètent de la me-

nace financière qui pèse sur la jeune génération », a déclaré Wayne Peters, président de l'ACPPU. « Face à la diminution de leurs appuis, les politiciens doivent s'attaquer au malaise grandissant que suscitent les politiques d'austéà l'équité intergénérationnelle. »

Alors que la jeune génération devra assumer un fardeau financier plus lourd sur fond de réduction des services publics, plus de la moitié (52 %) des répondants s'opposent au report de l'âge d'admissibilité aux prestations de la Sécurité de la vieillesse de 65 ans

Dans le même sondage, près de quatre Canadiens sur dix considère que le budget rendu public en mars dernier par le gouvernement fèdéral com-porte trop de compressions dans les

dépenses publiques. Le sondage révèle également que le Parti conservateur a perdu du terrain et que le Nouveau Parti démocratique s'impose petit à petit comme le parti que la population préférerait voir aux commandes du pays. Peu après son élection, le chef du NPD, Thomas Mulcair, recueillait 32 % du soutien populaire, contre 30 % pour le premier ministre Stephen Harper. Les sondages faisaient état d'une égalité statistique entre les deux partis.

Par ailleurs, les personnes interogées ont déclare que le gouvernement fé-déral devrait travailler en priorité à renforcer l'économie et à abaisser le chômage

Pour M. Peters, les résultats du sondage montrent que les services publics et l'éducation jouissent d'un appui important,

« Le personnel académique doit con-tinuer de faire équipe avec les étudiants pour souligner l'importance de l'éducation postsecondaire comme bien public », a-t-il ajouté. ■

Le sondage téléphonique a été mené du 4 au 16 avril 2012 par la firme Harris-Décima auprès de 2 016 Canadiens adultes. La marge d'erreur de cet échantillon est de ±2,2 %, 19 fois sur 20.

COMMENT OPINIONS

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

No Compromises when Defending Civil Liberties



By WAYNE PETERS

Clanaba's Anti-terrorism Act is Inow 10 years old. With it and since its passage, we have seen unprecedented legal and regulatory changes made by our government in the name of national security—changes that have horribly undermined our civil liberties, especially our freedoms of expression, information, association, assembly and privacy.

privacy.

At the outset, the act was touted as a necessary means to protect the safety, security and fundamental rights of individual Canadians in the face of terrorism. In reality it has blurred and broadened the popular definition of "terrorism" thus allowing a host of legitimate political activities to potentially fall within the scope of the legislation.

In concert with this, extraordinary powers of investigation and surveil-lance have been assigned to the police and other security forces which, when combined with a lessening of democratic oversight, set the stage for the abuse of civil liberties. In all of this, regrettably, there seems

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Our most basic democratic rights must be defended. To not do so is to stand by while the fabric of our society unravels to nothing.

to have been a shift in the paradigm and discourse around terrorism and security needs such that legitmate dissent and civil disobedience are now criminalized as acts of domestic terrorism.

A strong societal commitment to civil liberties underpins academic freedom in our universities and colleges. Academic freedom depends on the broader freedoms of expression and thought and the free flow of information. Without these more fundamental rights, academic freedom cannot endure.

Consequently, CAUT and the academic community have been outspoken defenders of civil liberies and human rights both in Canada and around the world. More

than this, though, academics have been leaders in defining and informing debate about the value of our rights within society. Much of the work CAUT does in this area is through the International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group.

It should have come as no surprise to anyone that CAUT recectly denounced Bill 78 – the emergency legislation adopted by the Charest government in Quebec to undermine students' strike efforts to defeat a plan to raise tuition fees by 75 per cent. The introduction of this law has been opposed by a broad cross-section of organizations, including opposition parties in the Quebec National Assembly, the Quebec Bar Association, Armnesty International and other civil liberties advocates, labour and social justice groups across the country, Quebec student organizations and the Canadian Federation of Students, among others.

In a public statement, CAUT executive director James Turk called the law a "terrible act of mass repression," adding that "the Quebec government has opted to exert the heavy hand of the law as a weapon to suppress dissent." 8ill 78 is a regressive and punitive attack on our most basic democratic rights — the

freedoms of expression, association and assembly — that must be defended. To not do so is to stand by while the fabric of our democratic society unravels to nothing.

CAUT's public involvement in this began in March when the student strike was a little over a month old. Consistent with CAUT policy on tuition fees and access to post-secondary education, we issued a statement in support of the students' efforts. The statement acknowledged that while —like elsewhere in Canada — Quebec's post secondary sector needs a boost in funding, shifting the funding burden to students and their families is counterproductive.

At our April Council meeting, delegates overwhelmingly supported a motion that CAUT reiterate its support for the students in Quebec in their efforts to maintain access to a post-secondary education. Shortly thereafter, CAUT joined with the Canadian Federation of Students and seven other national unions in an open letter calling on Premier Jean Charest to "resolve the student strike by reversing the decision to increase tuition fees in Quebec."

With the adoption of 8ill 78 on May 18, however, the nature of the situation in Quebec took on a new significance. Demonstrations against tuition fee hikes quickly turned to protests in defense of fundamental democratic rights and civil liberties as the Charest government moved to suppress the student opposition.

On the surface, the law aims to ensure the continuity of instructional services at post-secondary institutions in Quebec. However, it also contains a number of draconian provisions, including measures for the maintenance of peace, order and public security that restrict protest and assembly, administrative and civil measures that undermine the opposition movement and that hold those in support liable in civil courts for damage to third-parties, and imposition of stiff financial penalties on any individual, organization or institution that obstructs the purported intent of the legislation.

CAUT's response to this has been consistent with its long-standing practice and record in the defense of civil liberties and human rights. CAUT called on the Quebec government to repeal Bill 78, and to drop all fines and reverse all arrests made under its scope.

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LE MOT DU PRÉSIDENT

La défense des libertés civiles ne souffre aucun compromis

Par WAYNE PETERS

Le Canada a adopté la Loi antitertroriste il y a maintenant dix ans. Ce jour-là, et dans les années qui ont sutvi, le gouvernement canadien, sous le couvert de la sécurité nationale, a apporté des modifications sans précédent aux lois et aux règlements de notre pays qui ont eu pour effet de fragiliser terriblement nos libertés civiles, particulièrement les libertés fondamentales d'expression, d'information, d'association et d'assemblée ainsi que le droit à la vie privée.

la vie privée.

Au départ, la Loi a été présentée comme un ouil nécessaire pour protèger la sécurité et les droits fondamentaux de chaque Canadien contre la menace du terrorisme. En réalité, sous son régime, la définition courante du terrorisme a cédé la place à une notion floue et élargie, applicable à une foule d'activités politiques légitimes susceptibles de tomber sous le coup de la Loi.

En outre, les services policiers et autres services de sécurité se sont vus accorder des pouvoirs extraordinaires d'enquête et de surveillance. Dans un contexte de relâchement de la veille démocratique, le Canada est ainsi devenu un terreau fertile pour la violation des libertés civiles. Cette évolution semble malheureusement avoir été la conséquence d'un changement de paradigme et d'un nouveau discours concernant le terrorisme et les besoins en matière de sécurité. Au final, la dissidence et la désobéissance civile légitimes sont maintenant classées comme des actes de terrorisme national et constituent des infractions criminelles.

des intractions crimineiles.

La liberté académique dont jouissent les milieux universitaire et collégial repose sur un solide engagement social à l'endroit des libertés
civiques. Elle s'appuie sur des libertés plus générales, la liberté d'expression et la liberté de pensée, et
sur la libre circulation de l'information. La liberté académique ne
peut survivre à la disparition de
ces droits fondamentaux.

Par conséquent, l'ACPPU et le milieu académique se sont portés avec vigueur à la défense des libertés civiles et des droits de la personne, tant au Canada qu'ailleurs dans le monde. Et plus encore, les universitaires ont été les premiers à définir et à éclairer le débat sur la valeur de nos droits dans la société. La plus grande partie des activités de l'ACPPU dans ce secteur se fait par l'intermédiaire de la Coalition pour la surveillance internationale des libertés civiles.

Il n'est donc pas surprenant que l'ACPPU ait condamné dernière ment le projet de loi 78 - la loi d'urgence adoptée au Québec par le gouvernement Charest pour affaiblir le mouvement de grève déclenché par les étudiants en opposition à la hausse projetée de 75 % des droits de scolarité. Ce projet de loi a été vivement contesté par diverses organisations, dont les partis d'opposition à l'Assemblée nationale du Québec, le 8arreau du Québec, Amnistie Internationale et d'autres groupes de défense des libertés civiles, des droits des travailleurs et de la justice sociale par tout au pays, les organisations étudiantes québécoises et la Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants.

Dans une déclaration publique, le directeur général de l'ACPPU, James Turk, a qualifié la loi d'« abo-minable acte de répression de masse », ajoutant que le « gouvernement du Québec a choisi de se servir de la puissance du droit comme d'un instrument pour bâillonner la dissidence ». Le projet de loi 78 marque un retour en arrière, en s'attaquant dans une optique punitive à nos droits démocratiques les plus fondamentaux – les libertés d'expression, d'association et d'assemblée – qu'il faut défendre à tout prix. Comment rester les bras croisés alors que le tissu de notre société démocratique s'effrite sous

nos yeux?

L'ACPPU a pris position dans ce debat en mars dernier, alors que les étudiants étaient en grève depuis à peine plus d'un mois. Dans la droite ligne de notre politique sur les droits de scolarité et l'accès à l'éducation postsecondaire, nous avons déclaré publiquement notre appui à la lutte des étudiants québécois. Nous reconnaissions alors que le secteur de l'éducation postsecondaire du Québec – comme

ceux d'autres provinces canadiennes — souffrait assurément d'un manque de financement, mais que la résolution efficace de ce problème ne passait pas par une augmentation du fardeau financier des étudiants et de leurs familles.

À l'assemblée du Conseil en avril, une majorité écrasante de délégués ont appuyé une résolution visant à ce que l'ACPPU réitère son soutien aux étudiants du Québec dans leur démarche pour préserver l'accès à l'éducation postsecondaire. Peu après, l'ACPPU a signé avec la Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants et sept autres associations nationales une lettre ouverte demandant au premier ministre Jean Charest de « résoudre promptement la grève étudiante en infirmant la décision de hausser les droits de scolarité au Québec ».

Par suite de l'adoption du projet de loi 78 le 18 mai dernier, la situation au Québec a pris une tout autre dimension. Les manifestants qui, jusque-là, combattaient uniquement la hausse des droits de scolarité ont

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DEDICATED SERVICE AWARDS PRIX POUR SERVICES INSIGNES

Local Members Honoured

Thirty-six members of academic staff associations were honoured this year with Dedicated Service Awards. CAUT sponsors the awards, which recognize individuals who have an exceptional record in local association service activities. Recipients are nominated by their association and the award is presented as a certificate and CAUT lapel pin. There is no limit to the number of Dedicated Service Awards made each year. The award recipients for 2011-2012 are listed below.

Des membres à l'honneur

L'ACPPU a décerné cette année le prix pour services insignes à trente-six membres d'associations de person-nel académique. Ce prix a été créé pour récompenser des personnes qui contribuent de façon remarquable aux activités de leur association locale. Les lauréats, nommés par leur association, reçoivent un certificat commémoratif et une épinglette à l'effigie de l'ACPPU. Il n'y a pas de limite au nombre de prix décernés chaque année. Les lauréates et lauréats de ce prix pour 2011-2012 sont :

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Saint Mary's University Université Saint Mary's

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Thompson Rivers University Université Thompson Rivers Tom Friedman Bernard Igwe Jeanette Murray Donna Petri

Eric Villeneuve Trent University Université Trent John Fekete

University of Western Ontario Université de Western Ontario Tess Hooks

Writing History

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demeaned but he is only too willing to work for the Medical Research Council Inow the Canadian Institutes of Health Research], under president Henry Friesen as a ghost writer, Indeed, he mentions helping write documents aiding the MRC CIHR transition.

Contradictions of a related kind arise from his attitudes to professional societies. The Canadian Historical Association is dismissed and the meetings of the Learned Societies, now called the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, are derided. Yet, when the opportunity comes later to participate in the obscure but prestigious Oslar Society he embraces it with enthusiasm. Frequent denunciations of grantspersonship and the politics of council funding apparently do not apply to the Hannah Founda tion/Associated Medical Services Inc., which funded much of his medical history research, includ-ing his self-described palatial office at U of T.

A final example of his curious contradictory behavior arises from his pride in his frequent and wellrewarded lecturing for the major international drug companies, not to mention the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company funding of his survey of Canadian business history. Yet the proposed naming of a room at Massey College for Christopher Ondaatje sends him into a paroxysm of self-righteousne

To be fair, on occasion, the au-thor appears to catch himself and needs to explain his obsessive crankiness and criticism of the system that has rewarded him so well. Particularly striking examples include a reflection on the late 1970s: "In those years I was anything but mellow; temperamentally inclined to be a good hater, I neither forgot nor forgave." That this important selfcritical reflection arose from a minor battle about the necessity of obtaining ethics approval for a research project seems quite extraordinary. Later he describes himself as "a temperamental outsider, walking and running by myself" who "felt little loyalty or fulfillment in the work of organizations."

Most interestingly, while "governance and administration were in-tellectually undernanding," "the thought of being responsible for the decisions ... almost frightened me. What if things went wrong? Deep personal insecurity and fear of failure lurked just below the surface through most of my life." At the end of the book, he reflects on "how my mother had instilled a tremendous need to prove ourselves in her sons.

While eschewing psychological commentary here, I can only feel that more consistent introspection along these lines would explain many of the contradictory attitudes to the university world of the second half of the 20th century. It also would probably throw far more light on just how much the 1950s shaped our author. It might also explain his deep perturbation about

I have ignored here the author's I have ignored here the author's reflections on his role as, he says, "a public intellectual." Most readers will be aware of his frequent political commentary over the past four decades, but the one strikingly consistent element in an array of positions is his unending admiration of former prime minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau. From support in 1968 through co-operation in op-position to the Meech Lake and Charlottetown accords, Bliss enthuses about the highly-political Lib-

eral philosopher.
One should read Writing History for its admirable invocation of his torical research and writing, but not read it expecting to discover "a professor's life," for it is only an account of one star professor at an elite institution

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Ignorance Is Strength

Felipe Fernández-Armesto prefers fertile uncertainty to dead-end facts.

HATE knowledge, Decause tainty impedes thought. Every time I get to think that I know some-HATE knowledge, because certhing, I stop and disturb myself with a new, subversive problem about it. "Don't answer the question," I tell my students in what may seem a perverse repudiation of other teachers' advice. "If the problem you're contemplating has a solution, it's not interesting enough to be the subject of an essay." My books - even my textbook, targeted at undergraduates - have lots of speculation and provocation, and as few facts and dates as I think I can get away with. Disciplines whose practitioners pride themselves on "adding to the sum of knowledge" may ease my practical difficulties, enrich me, increase my comfort, cure my illnesses and equip me with useful technology. Intellectually, though, they bore me. "A fertile error," Hugh Trevor-Roper used to say, "is better than a boring fact." In one sense, ignorance is morally superior to knowledge. Ignorance stimulates enquiry. Knowledge - except in as much as it alerts the knower to some pre-viously undetected instance of ignorance - tends to arrest it. Knowledge is satiety, which inhibits activity. Ignorance is appetite, which arouses invention.

Surprisingly, perhaps, I'm not alone in equivocating about the value of knowledge: at least, so I suspect, after reading the second volume of Peter Burke's A Social History of Knowledge — a book of obviously self-referential importance to scholars, all of whom are engaged or concerned in gathering, guarding and sharing learning. "From the



Encyclopèdie to Wikipedia" is the book's engaging subtitle. The author tells stories of gain tempered by loss, and of processes — sometimes contested, sometimes faltering — of specialisation, institutionalisation, commodification, secularisation and globalisation. A further, deeper dimension of the place of knowledge in society is how people feel about it. A paradox of our time is our society's love-hate relationship with knowledge.

On the one hand, we drone on about "the knowledge economy", clamour for "useful and reliable knowledge" and pour money into research designed to elicit facts. We throng pub quizzes, lampoon dumb Britain, excoriate ignorance and, in our millions, patronise televised knowledge contests. We want educators to rediscover Gradgrind's only virtue and supply the economy with knowledgeable workers. The demand for testable curricula pri-

vileges objectively verifiable content. In one respect, our trajectory from the Encyclopédie to Wikipedia suggests that we are more confident in our knowledge than our forebears: Wikipedia's articles are unsigned, as if they represent objective truth. One reason, I suspect, why so much academic writing is dull is that we privilege unwarmished facts; and when you take the shine off, they lose their gleam.

On the other hand, knowledge seems to command little public esteem and our anxiety about the state of it is, perhaps, evidence of decline. The educational system values skills more highly than knowledge. Technology crowds knowledge out of space reallocated to data. Academic specialisation, for the individual who practises it, usually deepens knowledge but often broadens ignorance—sticking heads infurrows instead of raising them to survey whole fields. Postmodern epistemology doubts the validity of the very concept of knowledge. The economy gives higher rewards to chutzpah, celebrity, greed and fraud than to learning.

than to learning.

Crass fantasy has become an incomparably popular genre because (I suspect) you have to know something about the real world to appreciate traditional fiction. The endpapers of popular books no longer proclaim, as Everyman's Library books did when I was a child, "In Knowledge Lies Wisdom." Punters prefer The Da Vinci Code to the life of Leonardo, and the works of Gavin Menzies sell better than those of Peter Burke. Even I, who hate knowledge, am appalled by the ignorance I find when I read some students' essays and some profesers' health?

The quiz shows that superficially rate superior knowledge with felicitations measurable in thousands and millions of pounds really degrade it by reclassifying it as trivia.

The \$64,000 Question, a notorious TV programme of my childhood. was rigged — but at least the ques tions were hard. Societies of the past, which empowered their pro-digies of learning - their witch doctors, wise women, magi and clerks - revered knowledge more than we do. Nowadays, an igno-ramus like Michele Bachmann or Herman Cain can seriously bid for the most powerful office in the world. An ignoramus like George W. Bush can win it. Even self-knowledge seems to have withered: it is now more important, it seems, to "feel good" about oneself and affect unmerited self-confidence than to know one's limitations and confess one's faults.

How can we resolve the paradox of our times, in which knowledge is simultaneously vaunted and undervalued, ignorance simultaneously reviled and rewarded? Knowledge, said Socrates, is the only good and evil the only ignorance. Whenever we use "only" as an adjective, we imply that the terms we qualify represent some discrete reality. Ignorance and knowledge, however, as Socrates knew in his wiser moments, are like good and evil — interdepen dent, interpenetrated, inseparably implicated in each other. One thing we know for sure, with the certainty I generally deprecate, is that we are ignorant. That's the kind of knowledge that I, who claim to hate knowledge, can learn to

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Childhood under Siege

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violence through gaming, hundreds of studies over the past 40 years prove high exposure to violence can inure youth to real violence and increase aggressive behaviour and thoughis (n. 42)

thoughts. (p. 42)
And Bakan sees the marketing industry as a major problem. The packaging of TV shows, with merchandise and video games often reinforces violent themes. Not only is violence seen as fun, glamorous and 'cool,' but also as an efficient way to solve disputes. He is also alarmed by media sexualization of girls. He cites the marketing of lace lingerie, padded bras and thong underwear "with Playboy logos, or sexual messages such as 'too many

boys, too little time'," to girls as young as Kindergarten age. [p. 43] He agrees with experts who oppose a sexualized environment for kids, an environment which objectifies women and sometimes links sex to hurting others.

More and more of childhood is being subverted through marketing, which poses difficult questions for the raising of the next generation. Bakan tips his hat to psychologist Tim Kasser who points out: "To be a consumer has a very different set of implications than to be a citizen," (p. 45)

citizen." (p. 45)

But perhaps the most astonishing chapters are about the marketing of pharmaceutical drugs to doctors and parents, and big-pharma's push to prescribe psychotropic drugs to

children. Bakan writes about the case of preschooler, Rebecca Riley, who was found dead at home, lying on her stuffed bear. A child psychiatrist had prescribed clonidine and two other drugs because the four-year-old was hyperactive and having trouble sleeping.

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"On the night Rebecca died, her father had directed Carolyn ... [the mother] to increase her dose of clouddine in order to suppress a cough ... the father would often tell Carolyn to give Rebecca and her siblings more 'happy medicine' or 'sleep medicine' as they called cloudine, to quiet them down when they were 'acting up.' Under the influence of these drugs, Rebecca often slept through the day, getting up only to eat." (p. 68)

Bakan examines the role of psychotropic drugs in controlling children. It is not a pretty picture. He then takes aim at the all too common diagnosis of Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and the attendant Ritalin prescriptions mainly for rowdy, or non-attentive, school boys. He reveals that diagnoses of this disorder in the U.S. between 1980 and 1990 "jumped from 400,000 to 900,000 and the frequency of treatment with drugs from 28 per cent to 86 per cent." (p. 73)

The author lays much of the blame

The author lays much of the blame at the feet of the pharmaceutical companies that want to open new markets, and professionals who see exhausted parents trying to control demanding or moody children.

Bakan's book is based almost entirely on U.S. statistics and examples and is clearly geared to American readers. While the chapter that looks at environmental degradation and its impact on children's health begins with an assessment of the Sydney tarponds in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, the rest of the book tends to conflate the U.S. with Canada. This is a bit strange considering Bakan is law professor at the University of British Columbia and lives in Vancouver. Süll the book is worthwhile, but I wouldn't recommend it for bedtime reading.

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El Focuses on Education Crisis

New website provides overview of the fiscal tightening impaet worldwide.

DUCATION International has set DUCATION International has set tup a new website in expansion of its advocacy work.

The site, located at educationin crisis.net, continues EI's larger call for "adequate investment in education" at a time when many countries have fallen into the austerity trap. Current featured articles discuss

a range of topics such as the consequences of financial asphyxia and reform of Spain's public universities, an overview of the neoliberal roots behind the current education crisis, education's role in "inclusive growth," and connections between education and rising youth unemployment. A selection of studies, publications, and policy briefs are also available and an interactive world map highlights concerns in different countries.



Deux journalistes primées pour leurs articles sur l'éducation

RIN Hudson, collaboratrice au journal étudiant *The McGill Daily*, et Rosanna Tamburn, jour naliste pigiste, sont les lauréates des prix d'excellence de l'ACPPU en journalisme dans le domaine de l'enseignement postsecondaire pour l'année 2012.

M^{me} Tamburni a remporté le prix dans la catégorie professionnelle pour un article publié en janvier 2008 dans le magazine Affaires universitaires, intitule Une hypothèque sur l'enseignement supérieur.

Elle y a tracé un portrait sans fard du système d'aide financière aux étudiants et de son incapacité à rendre les études postsecondaires aussi accessibles aux jeunes à faible revenu qu'aux plus nantis.

M^{me} Hudson a été récompensée dans la catégorie étudiante pour une sèrie d'articles sur le service de securité de l'Université McGill et le rôle du Service de police de la Ville de Montréal dans l'enceinte de l'Université. Une enquête sur des incidents survenus dans le contexte d'un important conflit de travail opposant l'administration de l'Université et des membres du personnel non acadêmique a été à

l'origine de la sèrie. M^{ine} Hudson est inscrite à la quatrième année du programme de sciences politiques et d'ètudes moyen-orientales à McGill. Collaboratrice au The McGill Daily depuis deux ans, on peut aussi l'entendre à la radio communautaire du campus de l'Université (CKUT 90.3 FM). Erin ambitionne de faire

carrière en journalisme.

L'ACPPU dècerne chaque année deux prix d'une valeur de 1 000 \$ pour récompenser et encourager l'excellence dans les reportages sur l'enseignement postsecondaire dans les médias professionnels et étudiants. Cette année, le jury était composé de James Compton, professeur agrègé à la Faculté des communications et des études médiatiques de l'Université de Western Ontario, de Gillian Stewart, chargée de cours au programme de journalisme de l'Université Mount Royal, et de Mike Gasher, professeur en journalisme à l'Université Concordia .

L'ACPPU accueille un nouveau membre

A SON assemblee d avra dernies, le conseil de l'ACPPU a accueil SON assemblée d'avril dernier. li dans ses rangs l'association du personnel académique d'Osgoode Hall (OHFA). L'ACPPU compte maintenant 73 associations membres locales et trois associations fédérées et représente plus de 68 000 membres du personnel académique et general en poste dans 124 univer-

sités et collèges au pays. Créée au milieu des années 1960.

l'OHFA représente quelque 50 professeures et professeurs titulaires ou en voie de l'être à la Faculté de droit d'Osgoode Hall de l'Universitê York.

« C'est avec grand plaisir que nous souhaitons la bienvenue à l'OHFA », a déclare le directeur général de l'ACPPU, James Turk, « particulière-ment dans la foulée de sa récente mobilisation pour la défense de l'intégrité académique, marquée par

son refus d'endosser l'accord truffè de graves lacunes conclu entre York et le groupe de réflexion privé, le Centre pour l'innovation dans la gouvernance internationale. Le courage et la détermination manifestés par les membres de cette association tout au long de cette lutte est un modèle à suivre pour tout le personnel académique au Canada. »

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L'ACPPU dénonce le caractère antidémocratique du projet de loi omnibus sur le budget

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Un article du projet de loi, si celui-ci est adopté, s'attaque au Pro-gramme de contrats fédéraux (PCF) instauré en 1986 par un gouverne ment progressiste-conservateur afin de favoriser davantage l'équité en milieu de travail.

En vertu de ce programme, les organisations comptant au moins 100 employés désireuses de prêsenter une soumission pour un contrat ou une offre à commandes d'une valeur de 200 000 \$ ou plus doîvent d'abord signer une attestation d'engagement pour la mise en oeuvre de l'équité en matière d'emploi. Plus de 50 uni-versités et collèges participent au programme.

« Le projet de loi C-38 propose d'éliminer l'obligation d'équivalence, c'est-à-dire l'obligation faite au ministre du Travail de veiller ce que les exigences relatives à la réalisation de l'équité en ma tière d'emploi applicables au PCF soient les mêmes que celles prèvues dans le programme légiféré d'équité en matière d'emploi », a dit James Turk au Comité. « Dans l'amendement proposè, le minis-tre sera simplement chargé d'ad-ministrer le programme. Nous pensons que cela permettrait au ministre d'établir les normes à son grè, ou de ne pas en établir du tout. »

Par ailleurs, le directeur général de l'ACPPU a exprimé de nouveau les préoccupations de l'Association selon lesquelles le projet de loi C-38, en éliminant des programmes comme le Conseil national du bienêtre social, l'Institut de statistiques des Premières nations, le Programme national de développement des archives et la Table ronde nationale sur l'environnement et l'économie, facilitera encore plus l'érosion du trésor de connaissances scientifiques et culturelles au Canada. Nous venons d'apprendre la

rèalisées par Statistique Canada, y compris de la publication en ligne Questions d'éducation et l'enquête Système d'information sur le personnel d'enseignement dans les univer-sités et les collèges », a-t-il ajouté. Cette enquête était l'unique source de données sur les professeurs au niveau postsecondaire dont nous disposions. Tous les autres pays membres de l'OCDE recueillent ces données. Comment les responsables des politiques sont-ils censès prendre des décisions éclairées concernant l'éducation postsecon-

disparition d'importantes enquêtes

bantes suffisantes? Le 4 juin, l'ACPPU s'est jointe à plus de 500 organismes et a plongé son site web dans le noir en signe de protestation contre le caractère antidémocratique du projet de loi

daire en l'absence de données pro-

Journalists Awarded for Education Coverage

RIN Hudson of the McGill Daily and freelance writer Rosanna Tamburri are the 2012 recipients of CAUT's Excellence in Post-Secondary Education Journalism Awards.

Tamburri won in the professional category for her story, "Indebted to higher education," published in University Affairs magazine in January 2008.

Her report on Canada's student financial aid system laid bare the program's inability to close the gap in access to post-secondary educa-tion for low income youth.

Hudson was recognized in the student category for her series about university security services and the role of the Montreal police at McGill University. The articles were written after an inquiry was launched into incidents during a major labour dispute of non-aca-demic staff at McGill.

Hudson is a fourth year Middle East studies and political science student at McGill. She has reported for the Daily for two years and volunteers at McGill's campus commu nity radio station CKUT 90.3 FM. She hopes to pursue a career in journalism.

CAUT annually presents two \$1,000 awards to recognize and encourage excellence in the coverage of post-secondary education in both the professional and stu-dent media. The awards jury this year was comprised of James Compton, an associate professor in Western's faculty of information





Journalism award winners — Erin Hudson & Rosanna Tamburri.

and media Studies, Gillian Stewart. a journalism instructor at Mount Royal University, and Concordia University journalism professor Mike Gasher.

Handing Patients a Megaphone

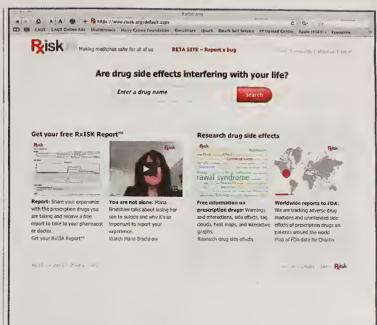
Research prescription drugs & their side effects at the click of a mouse.

A NEW website, www.rxisk.org, has recently joined the ranks of other sites providing free medical information about prescription drugs. What makes RxJSK different from any other site is its independence from the pharmaceutical industry, the caliber of people behind the scenes, and its solicitation of self-reporting from patients and healthcare teams on side effects and treatment efficacy.

RxISK's medical and research team is made up of physicians, academics and leading pharmaceutical industry critics from the United Kingdom, New Zealand, the United States and Canada. Most notably among these are David Healy, Nancy Olivieri, and Ralph Edwards from the World Health Organisation's Uppsala Monitoring Centre.

RxJSK pairs the current available data from the US Food and Drug Administration along with the side effect trends it tracks through its website and members' reports. This information is made accessible in easy-to-read reports, visually compelling tag clouds, heat maps and interactive graphs.

In the near future RxISK will also provide a free service aiding individuals in identifying the likelthood that they are experiencing a drug side effect.



The website does not run ads or accept sponsorship requests. It does not release personal information collected at the site or "enter into contracts or arrangements that could compromise the independence of the data we collect." Instead, the funding model relies on selling "subscrip

tions to the anonymized, aggregated data we collect to anyone who wants it. This may include major players in healthcare, such as governments, health insurers, and pharmaceutical companies. We will also provide it, free of charge, to the regulatory authorities in your jurisdiction."

The aim for the website is twofold: to inform users about prescription drugs while also tracking critical data about drug side effects, "which is not currently being collected or reported," in order to "improve drug safety and lower healthcare costs."

CAUT Welcomes Newest Member

Claut's April Council has weldecomed the Osgoode Hall Faculty Association as its newest member. Osgoode is CAUT's 73rd local member association that together with three federated associations means CAUT represents more than 68,000 academic and general staff at 124 universities and colleges across the country.

OHFA has been in operation since the mid-1960s and represents about 50 tenured and tenure-track academic staff at Osgoode Hall Law School, a constituent faculty

of York University.

"We're really pleased to welcome Osgoode Hall Faculty Association," said CAUT executive director James Turk, "especially after their recent stand in defence of academic integrity by refusing to be part of a badly flawed agreement signed by York and the private think tank, the Centre for International Governance Innovation. The courage and determination of the faculty association's members in that fight is a model for all academic staff in Canada."

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CAUT Denounces Fed's Omnibus Budget Bill as Undemocratic

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of \$200,000 or more must first sign a certificate of commitment to implement employment equity. More than 50 universities and colleges are among those covered by the program.

"Bill C-38 proposes to remove the equivalency requirement that the minister of labour ensure the FCP meets the same standard as the Legislated Employment Equity Program," Turk told the committee. "The proposed amendment simply states the minister will administer the program. We take this to mean the minister can set any standard she or he likes, including no real standard at all."

He also reiterated concerns that Bill C-38 will lead to a further erosion of Canada's scientific and cultural knowledge base as a result of the elimination of programs such as the National Council on Welfare, the First Nations Statistical Institute, the National Archival Development Program and the National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy.

"This follows on news of Statistics Canada's elimination of important surveys, including their online publication Education Matters and the University and College Academic Staff System," he added. "The latter was the only data source we had about teachers in post-secondary education and that every other OECD country collects. How are policymakers expected to make decisions about post-secondary education when there is no longer a sufficient evidence base?"

On June 4, CAUT joined more than 500 organizations blacking out their websites to protest the anti-democratic nature of Bill C-38.

Donner un porte-voix aux patients

Un nouveau site Internet conçu pour fournir des renseignements médicaux gratuits sur les médicaments d'ordonnance a vu le jour dernièrement: www.rxisk.org. Celui-ci se distingue cependant des autres sites de même vocation par son indépendance vis-à-vis de l'industrie pharmaceutique, par le calibre des personnes qui travaillent en coulisses et par sa capacité à permetre aux patients et aux professionnels de la santé de rapporter directement les effets secondaires des médicaments et de faire état de l'efficacité de leur traitement.

L'équipe mèdicale et de recherche regroupée au sein de RxISK est formée de médecins, d'universitaires et d'importants critiques de l'industrie pharmaceutique du Royaume-Uni, de la Nouvelle-Zélande, des États-Unis et du Canada. Parmi ces personnalités figurent notamment David Healy, Nancy Olivieri et Ralph Edwards du Centre de surveillance d'Uppsala de l'Organisation mondiale de la santé.

BOI INDICIAC DE LA SAIRCA RAJSK apparie les données existantes de la Food and Drug Administration des États-Unis avec les tendances des effets secondaires observées à partir de son site Internet et des comptes rendus faits par les membres. L'information qui en résulte est présentée sous forme de rapports faciles à lire, de nuages de mots clès, de tableaux et de graphiques interactifs visuellement attrayants.

De plus, dans un proche avenir, RxISK offrira aux particuliers un service gratuit pour les aider à déterminer la probabilité des effets secondaires susceptibles de se manifester.

Le site ne diffuse aucune publicité et n'accepte aucune demande de commandite. Il ne communique pas de renseignements personnels recueillis sur le site et « ne conclut aucun contrat ou arrangement qui puisse compromettre l'indépendance des données que nous recueillons ». Le modèle de financement s'appuie plutôt sur la vente d'« abonnements aux données anonymes et globalisées que nous rassemblons. Parmi les parties intéressées, nous comptons les principaux intervenants du secteur des soins de santé, tels les gouvernements, les assureurs de soins médicaux et les compagnies pharmaceutiques. Nous offrons également un abonnement gratuit aux organismes de règlementation compêtentes ».

Competentes.

L'objectif poursuivi par le site Internet est double : informer les utilisateurs sur les médicaments d'ordonnance tout en suivant l'évolution des données critiques concernant les effets secondaires, « qui ne sont à l'heure actuelle ni rassemblées ni consignées », afin d'« améliorer l'innocuité des médicaments et de réduire les coûts de santé ». ■

Mike Dawes, lauréat du prix Donald C. Savage

L'ACPPU a décerné cette année L'le prix Donald C. Savage à Mike Dawes, professeur émérite de mathématiques à l'Université de Western Ontario.

Ce prix est attribué à une personne qui s'est démarquée pour son apport exceptionnel à l'égard de la protection et de la promotion des intérêts du personnel académique dans le contexte des négociations collectives.

Avant son départ à la retraite en juin dernier, M. Dawes a consacré plus de trente ans de sa vie professionnelle à l'Université de Western Ontario. Pendant vingt-quatre ans, il a été un membre actif de l'association du personnel académique (UWOFA), occupant diverses fonctions au sein du conseil d'administration : administrateur, président, vice-président, président sortant ainsi que président du comité de la rémunération et des avantages sociaux. Nommé négociateur en chef lorsque l'association a reçu son accréditation en 1998, il a négocié quatre conventions collectives du personnel académique sur une période de douze ans. Il a également représenté les bibliothécaires et les archivistes — qui ont constitué la deuxième unité de négociation de

l'UWOFA en 2004 – dans deux rondes de négociation.

M. Dawes a aussi été fort actif à l'extérieur des murs de l'Université. En effet, il a occupé la présidence du comité de négociation collective de l'Union des Associations des Professeurs des Universités de l'Ontario et siègé de nombreuses annèes au comité de la négociation et des avantages économiques de l'ACPPU, dont il a festelement été la précident.

également été le président.
« Les qualités de négociateur de Mike lui ont valu notre admiration, et nous l'avons tout autant apprêcié à titre de mentor et de collègue », a déclaré le directeur général de l'ACPPU, James Turk. « Nous sommes ravis de voir que son engagement indéfectible à l'égard de l'amélioration des conditions de travail du personnel académique dans les conventions collectives est reconnu, et nous lui savons gré d'avoir bien voulu mettre ses talents au service de ses collègues de l'UWOFA et d'ailleurs au Canada. »

Le prix Donald C. Savage a été remis au lauréat le 28 avril lors de la tenue à Ottawa de l'assemblée du Conseil de l'ACPPU. ■

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Western Ontario Professor Wins Donald C. Savage Award

MIKE Dawes, a University of Western Ontario professor emeritus of mathematics, has been awarded CAUT's Donald C. Savage Award.

The award is acknowledgement of outstanding achievements in working to protect and promote the interests academic staff through collective bargaining.

Prior to his retirement last June, Dawes put in more than 30 years of service at Western, 24 of which he was also actively involved in the faculty association. He served on the board and executive, as chair of the salary and benefits committee, and as vice-president, president and past-president. When the University of Western Ontario Faculty Association certified in 1998, he was called on as chief negotiator and served in that capacity for 12 years and through four rounds of bargaining for faculty members. He has also seen the librarians and archivists - who became the second bargaining unit of UWOFA in 2004 — through two rounds of negotiations.

In broader service work, Dawes has served as chair for the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations' collective bargaining committee, and was a long-serving member of CAUT's collective bargaining and economic benefits committee, also serving as its chair.

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"Mike has distinguished himself as an admired negotiator, and a valued mentor and colleague to us all." said CAUT executive direc-



Mike Dawes was honoured April 28 at CAUT's Council meeting in Ottawa.

tor James Turk. "We are delighted he is acknowledged for his unwavering commitment to improve working conditions for academic staff through better collective agreements and fortunate he

has been willing to share his considerable talents in the service of his colleagues in UWOFA and across Canada."

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More Universities Reject Access Copyright-AUCC Agreement

A GROWING number of universities have announced they will not sign the model copying agreement that the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada signed with Access Copyright to cover the reproduction of paper and digital content on university campuses.

As of June 8, the agreement had been rejected by the University of British Columbia, the University of Winnipeg, the University of New Brunswick, Athabasca University, Royal Roads University, the University of Windsor, York University, the University of Waterloo and Mount Royal University.

"We applaud the decision of these

universities to opt out of the AUCC-Access Copyright deal," said James Turk, executive director of CAUT. "They made the right decision in the face of considerable pressure to do otherwise."

Turk says CAUT has pledged to do everything possible to assist these universities — and any others that refuse to sign the agreement — in the event they are challenged. "We feel the AUCC-Access Copy-

"We feel the AUCC-Access Copyright model agreement harms the interests of academic staff and students, fails to reflect current law and undermines efforts to create better ways of accessing, using and sharing educational and research material," he said.

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No Compromises when Defending Civil Liberties

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In addition, CAUT contributed \$20,000 to assist the Quebec student organizations with the legal costs of defending students charged while engaging in peaceful protest and offered its legal support in the court challenge of Bill 78. CAUT also called on its member associations across the country to condemn the Quebec government's actions and to support the students.

We are a pan-Canadian organization of academics committed to the principle of academic freedom and the fundamental democratic freedoms of expression, association and assembly guaranteed under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. In the Quebec situation, we could do no less against repressive Bill 78.

In the end, we must always stand with our students and colleagues and other organizations across the country to vigorously oppose any government that seeks to criminalize any act of legitimate dissent or peaceful protest. It is our unquestionable obligation as public intellectuals and defenders of civil liberties.

La défense des libertés civiles ne souffre aucun compromis

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rapidement enfourché un nouveau cheval de bataille, la défense des droits démocratiques fondamentaux et des libertés civiles, voyant que le gouvernement Charest prenait les grands moyens pour étouffer l'opposition étudiante.

À première vue, la loi spéciale a pour objet d'assurer la continuité des services d'enseignement dans les établissements de niveau postsecondaire au Quèbec. Cependant, elle renferme aussi un certain nombre de dispositions draconiennes, dont des mesures visant à prèserver la paix, l'ordre et la sécurité publique en encadrant les manifes-tations de protestation et les rassemblements; des mesures de nature administrative et civile qui minent le mouvement d'opposition, qui attribuent une responsabilité civile à tout partisan qui cause un préju-dice à un tiers, et qui imposent de lourdes amendes à toute personne, organisation ou institution qui se dresse contre la volonté présumée du législateur.

La position de l'ACPPU dans ce dossier reflète les pratiques et les antécèdents de l'Association au chapitre de la défense des libertés civiles et des droits de la personne. L'ACPPU a demandé au gouvernement quèbécois d'abroger la loi 78, et ce faisant, d'éliminer toutes les amendes imposées et d'annuler toutes les arrestations faites sous son régime.

JURIS OPPOSÉS À LA LES ÉCIALE L.Q. 2012

Des centaines d'avocats ont défilé dans les rues de Montréal le 28 mai pour protester contre la loi 78 du Québec qui limite les manifestations étudiantes.

De plus, l'ACPPU a verse 20 000 \$ aux organisations étudiantes pour les aider à couvrir les frais de justice occasionnés par la défense des étudiants arrêtès alors qu'ils prenaient part à une manifestation pacifique. L'Association a également offert son soutien à la contestation judiciaire de la loi 78. Elle a invité toutes ses associations membres dans l'ensemble du pays à dénoncer publiquement les actions du gouvernement québécois et à appuyer les étudiants. Nous sommes une association

Nous sommes une association pancanadienne d'universitaires vouée à la défense du principe de la liberté académique et des libertés démocratiques fondamentales telles les libertés d'expression, d'association et d'assemblée, qui sont garanties par la Charte canadienne des droits et libertés. Dans la situation qui prévaut au Québec, nous ne pouvions réagir autrement devant le caractère répressif de la loi 78.

En définitive, nous devons toujours nous ranger aux côtés de nos étudiants et de nos collégues, et d'autres organisations au pays, pour faire obstacle à toute tentative d'un gouvernement de criminaliser des actes légitimes de dissidence ou de protestation pacifique. Cette obligation va de pair avec notre rôle d'intellectuels publics et de défenseurs des libertés civiles.

- PHOTO - LA PRESSE CANADIENNE/PAUL

Les changements à l'assurance-emploi ciblent le personnel académique contractuel

La réforme du programme d'assurance-emploi annoncée le mois dernier par la ministre fédérale des Ressources humaines, Diane Finlay, est une très mauvaise nouvelle pour les membres du personnel académique contractuel qui reçoivent des prestations d'assurance-emploi entre deux contrats.

Dorénavant, les prestataires seront classés en fonction de la durée des prestations reçues et de la fréquence des demandes de prestations. Les contractuels académiques ont

Les contractuels académiques ont couramment recours aux prestations d'assurance-emploi pendant l'été. En vertu des nouvelles règles du jeu, ils seraient vraisemblablement considérés comme des « prestataires fréquents », et ainsi obligés d'accepter un emploi convenable, « semblable » à leur emploi habituel, au salaire proposé s'il représente au moins 80 % de leur salaire précédent. Après avoir touché des prestations pendant six semaines, ils devront accepter tout travail pour lequel ils sont qualifiés, contre un salaire d'au moins 70 % de leur salaire précédent.

« Ces changements sont une source de tension de plus pour des personnes dont les conditions de travail sont déjà loin d'être idéales », déclare Leslie Jermyn, professeure d'anthropologie à l'Université York et présidente du Comité du personnel académique contractuel de l'ACPPU

« Les chargés de cours sont déjà moins bien payés, doivent souvent faire de longs trajets pour se rendre au travail, et n'ont même pas un bureau ou un classeur dans l'établissement d'enseignement », affirme-telle. « Ils se démènent sans compter pour trouver du travail, et même si de nombreux établissements ont étoffé leurs programmes d'été, il reste que la période de mai à août n'est pas aussi occupée. »

Selon elle, la nouvelle obligation d'accepter « tout » travail au terme de six semaines de prestations poussera les membres du personnel académique vers des emplois dans d'autres secteurs au sein de leur communauté, comme la vente au détail ou la restauration.

« Ils se transformeront en guichetiers à Wonderland cet été. Loin de moi l'idée de dénigrer ce travail, mais ne pourrait-on pas envisager une façon de mieux tirer parti de l'éducation supérieure de ces Canadiens, eux qui se débattent déja simplement pour poursuivre une carrière précaire de professeur et de chercheur à temps partiel? »

La réforme proposée est censée entrer en vigueur au début de 2013.

Le personnel du programme d'assurance-emploi aura la tâche de déterminer ce qui constitue un emploi convenable pour telle ou telle personne. De prétendus « agents d'intégrité » surveilleront les chômeurs dans leur recherche d'un emploi et évalueront ensuite le degré de respect des critères.

Tous les prestataires d'assuranceemploi devront postuler des emplois, passer des entrevues, aller à des salons de l'emploi et assister à des ateliers de recherche d'emploi. Ils devront chercher un emploi chaque jour pendant la période où ils toucheront des prestations, et seront contraints de tenir un registre des démarches effectuées, sous peine de perdre leurs prestations. ■

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Letter from Scientists to Government, MPs & NSERC on Lettre de scientifiques adressée au gouvernement, aux députés et

In the 2012 federal budget, the Conservative government unveiled sweeping cuts across all departments and agencies. The three federal granting councils — the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada — were not spared. At the time, the government insisted the cuts would not affect programs but would instead be absorbed by greater administrative "efficiencies." Since then, however, details have begun to emerge about the impact of reduced granting council funding, and some research programs are indeed being eliminated. For instance, NSERC's major resources support program and research tools and instrument program have been discontinued. These programs provided critical infrastructure support for basic discovery-driven research.

In response to the elimination of these programs, a group of scientists sent the following letter on May 3 to the government and to members of Parliament in which they describe the cuts as a "disaster." As they note, research projects and labs that have taken years to develop could be lost. Unless reversed, these cuts will have a serious impact on scientific discovery in Canada long into the future.

Dans son budget de 2012, le gouvernement conservateur a dévoilé une série de compressions draconiennes frappant l'ensemble des ministères et organismes fédéraux. Les trois conseils subventionnaires — le Conseil de recherches en sciences naturelles et en génie du Canada, les Instituts de recherche en santé du Canada et le Conseil de recherches en sciences humaines du Canada — n'ont pas été épargnés. Au moment de leur annonce, le gouvernement avait clamé que les compressions ne toucheraient pas les programmes, mais seraient plutôt le fruit de l'amélioration de l'« efficience » de l'administration. Depuis, nous en savons davantage sur les répercussions de la réduction du financement des conseils subventionnaires, et nous constatons que des programmes de recherche sont effectivement abolis. Par exemple, le Programme d'appui aux ressources majeures et le Programme de subventions d'outils et d'instruments de recherche du CRSNG, deux programmes qui offiraient un soutien essentiel à l'infrastructure de la recherche fondamentale axée sur la découverte, sont maintenant disparus.

Des scientifiques ont réagi à l'élimination de ces programmes en adressant la lettre suivante, le 3 mai, à des membres du gouvernement et à des députés. Selon eux, les compressions ne sont rien de moins qu'une catastrophe. Ils ajoutent que des projets de recherche entrepris il y a des années pourraient être abandonnés, et que des laboratoires constitués au prix d'années d'efforts pourraient cesser leurs activités. Ces compressions doivent être annulées, sinon elles pèseront lourd sur la découverte scientifique au Canada, et pour très longtemps.

To: The Honourable Christian Paradis, MP, Minister of Industry Members of NSERC Counci'

Members of NSERC Committee on Grants & Scholarships

In her recent statement on Economic Action Plan 2012, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) president Dr. Suzanne Fortier "welcome[d] continued dialogue and exchange with the research community as we move forward." As researchers in many fields of natural sciences and engineering, we are writing to express our deep concern over the elimination of both the Major Resources Support (MRS) and the Research Tools and Instrument (RTI) programs of NSERC. This action will have drastic and irreversible effects on fundamental science and engineering research across Canada and internationally.

MRS and RTI are broad-based programs that support unique national (and international based in Canada) research facilities and the purchase of equipment critical to the discovery, innovation and training capability of Canadian researchers. They are crucial to the support of research in many areas ranging from theoretical astrophysics, through polar research, through DNA barcoding, to materials research: in short, the full gamut of the research and innovation enterprise. These are programs so foundational to research in Canada that one would think that eliminating them was inconceivable. The funding provided enhances the training of thousands of highly qualified personnel in science and engineering.

The federal government and NSERC, through cuts to Tri-Council funding, have now killed these programs. Along with NSERC's Discovery Grant, these are the programs which supported fundamental research. There are now no funding streams dedicated to the purchase of scientific equipment or to operate nationally and internationally unique resources. The loss of the MRS program in particular means that resources built up over many years could be lost or made inaccessible due to loss of personnel needed to sustain the resource. As well, millions of dollars of equipment purchased through taxpayers' money will sit idle and gather dust due to a lack of operating funds. The negative impact on the training of the future generation of scientists cannot be overstated.

NSERC suggests that the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) may pick up the slack in these two areas. However, the reality is that CFI is a different organization with different objectives and application requirements. CFI programs do not compensate for the loss of two core programs at NSERC.

Similarly, investments by the government in industrial and/or targeted research programs at NSERC do not compensate for the loss of the two core programs which enable a broad spectrum of research.

The loss of these programs is nothing short of a disaster for science in Canada. It continues the selective reduction and elimination of programs that support fundamental and discovery-driven research. This will drag down the entire research enterprise as the fundamental research of today produces the applied knowledge of tomorrow. We urge you to reconsider this direction and reaffirm NSERC's commitment to these vital programs.

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CAUT to Attend **El Conference**

AUT will be sending represen-Citatives to Education Interna-tional's Higher Education and Research Conference in Buenos Aires. Argentina, this September.

The three-day conference aims to address key developments and emerging challenges in the inter-national education sector.

Topics covered in sessions will include equity and diversity, financing and defending education during a period of economic austerity, the challenges of promoting research and researchers as acting in the public interest, and issues around rankings, assessments and accountability tools. One session will be dedicated to Latin American is sues and challenges as well as their larger global implications.

Employment Insurance Changes Will Impact Contract Academic Staff

YONTRACT academic staff who Cuse employment insurance benefits to bridge gaps between contracts will be significantly affected by sweeping changes to the program announced last month by federal Human Resources Minister Diane

The amendments mean claimants will be categorized according to how long they receive benefits and how often they make claims.

Reliance on EI by contract academics is common over the summer months, likely making them "frequent claimants" under the new rules, which means they will be required to accept suitable work in "similar occupation" that pays at earnings. After receiving benefits for six weeks, they will have to accept any work for which they are quali-fied and which pays at least 70 per cent of their previous salary.

This places even more strain on individuals who already work under less than ideal circumstances says Leslie Jermyn, a York University anthropology professor and chair of CAUT's contract academic staff committee

"Sessional staff already work for less pay, often travel long distances to work, and don't even have of-fices or filing cabinets supplied by their employer," she said. "Of course they try their best to find

have dramatically expanded summer programming, the fact is there isn't as much work from May through August."

The new requirement to accept "any" work after collecting six weeks of benefits means contract academic staff will have to take retail, food service or other jobs in their communities, Jermyn notes.

"They'll have to be ticket-takers at Wonderland for the summer. Not to denigrate that job, but is this the best use of the most highly-educated Canadians who are already struggling just to cling to tenuous part-time careers as teachers and researchers?"

The proposed reforms are expect-

ed to take effect early 2013.

El program staff will determinate what is suitable employment in individual cases, while so-called "in-tegrity officers" will monitor jobsearch efforts and make determinations about whether the criteria are being met.

All EI recipients will be required to apply for positions, attend interviews, go to job fairs and workshops, and search for vacancies every day they receive benefits. They must also maintain a record of their activities, or risk being cut off from their benefits.

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Discontinuance of Research Programs au CRSNG concernant l'élimination des programmes de recherche

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 National ultrahigh-field NMR facility for solids

 Hatch lab: Isotope & noble gas geochemistry for earth & environmental sciences

 IsoTrace AMS facility

 Canadian Phycological Culture Centre:

 A facility supporting research on algae & cyanobacteria

 Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Laboratory (PEARL)

 Canadian resource center for rebrafish genetics

 A neuroendocrinology assay laboratory at the University of Western Ontario

 Canadian Centre for DNA Barcoding

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Plant Evolutionary Biologist

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Applicant must possess a Ph.D., and have a strong academic and research background. An application package should include a cover letter with the names and addresses (including email) of three referees, a curriculum vitae, research and teaching statements, and list of needed equipment/facilities. The application package should be sent electronically to:

Ms. Christine Everson (everson@mun.ca) at the Department of Biology, Memorial University. The deadline for receipt of applications is July 3, 2012. This position is subject to budgetary approval.

The Department of Biology (http://www.mun.ca/biology) at Memorial University, Atlantic Canado's largest research and teaching university, is continuing with its multi-year faculty renewal program. The Department supports one of the largest undergraduate and graduate programs (~130 M.Sc. and Ph.D. students) within the University. Members of the Biology Department have access to many outstanding departmental and university research and teaching facilities, such as the University's Botanical Garden, a DNA sequencing facility, and the Ocean Sciences Centre in St. John's; the Bonne Bay Marine Station in Gros Morne National Park; and the Harlow Campus outside London (England). The Department has strong partnerships with external agencies including Parks Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Canadian Wildlife Service, Canadian Forest Service, Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, and Provincial Departments of Natural Resources and Environment & Conservation.

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Department of Biochemistry

Memorial University of Newfoundland invites applications for the position of Head of the Department of Biochemistry. The Headship is for a renewable three-year term, to be filled at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. The Head reports directly to the

The Department of Biochemistry (http://www.mun.ca/biochem) is located on the main campus of Memorial University in St. John's; it has 19 faculty, 4 cross and adjunct appointments, and an active graduate program (M.Sc. and Ph.D.). The Department's teaching and research cover a wide range of topics, with particular strengths in biochemistry and molecular biology, nutrition and metabolism, and food science.

The appointed Head will provide an active leadership role in the growth and development of the Department. The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. and an excellent teaching and research record, and be expected to maintain an active research program. Administrative experience would be an asset

Letters of application, including a statement of how the Department might develop under the candidate's leadership, detailed curriculum vitae, and the names of three referees, should he sent to:

Dr. Mark Abrahams, Dean, Faculty of Science Memorial University of Newfoundland St. John's, NL, A1B 3X7 Canada Fax: 709-B64-3316 / E-Mail: deansci@mun.ca Reference: VPA-BIOC-2012-001

Applications will be treated in confidence. The deadline for receipt of applications is August 1, 2012. The appointment is expected to take effect January 1, 2013, or as soon thereafter as is mutually agreeable.

Memorial University is the largest university in Atlantic Canada. As the province's only Meniorial University is the largest university flavoring in Admitt Canada. As the provinces only university, Memorial University plays an integral role in the educational and cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 18,000 students, Memorial University provides a distinctive and stimulating environment for learning in St. John's, a safe friendly city with great historical charm, a vibrant cultural life, and easy access to a wide range of outdoor activities.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian Citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. Memorial University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from qualified women, men, visible miliorities, abordiginal people and persons with disabilities.





Sponsared by Alberta Innovates - Health Solutions (AIHS), the Foculty of Health Sciences at the University of Lethbridge seeks an established schalar to fill a position as the AIHS Compus Alberta Innovates Program Translational Health Chair in the area of Abariginal Health and Wellness, under the thematic area of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention. Candidates must be well-established scholars who have made major impacts in addressing health and wellness issues within an Aboriginal framework to understand and pramote determinants of Aboriginal health. Candidates should also have demonstrated expertise in callaborative research with Aboriginal peoples.

Alberta Innovates - Health Solutions, one of four provincially funded research and innovation corpara-tions within the province of Alberta, supports top-quality internationally competitive health research that aims to further our understanding of health and disease and produces results that will make a difference to the health, economy and societal wellbeing of Albertans and people oround the warld.

The Foculty of Health Sciences has a priority focus on developing educational and research initiatives to promote health equity amongst Aboriginal and Indigenous groups in our geographic region, across Canada and within the global context. As port of this commitment, the Faculty of Health Sciences champions the translation of research to promote evidence-based decision making in helping to ensure beneficial outcomes for Aboriginal and Indigenous people, communities and organizations. We are seeking a faculty member who works to understand and address Aboriginal health and wellness from seeking a faculty member who works to understand and address Aboriginal health and wellness from a hold site prespective through scholarship that serves to identify and enhance Aboriginal peoples' strengths, including the use of traditional knowledge, splitfuality, and desire to promote healthy living. Such a focus also creates a platform on which effective policies and collaborative health programming can be built. These efforts will be supported by the existing and growing collaborative portnerships between the Faculty of Health Sciences and Aboriginal communities and organizations.

The University of Lethbridge is situated on the wintering grounds of the Stackfoot nation and is within an hour's driving distance of the Kainai First Nation (the largest Abontymal reserve community in physical size in Canada) and to the Pikkani reserve, both of which are members of the Blackfoot Contederacy. There is an estoblished positive working relationship with both of these groups as well as with Red Crow College (RCC), the Kainai band's privately owned and operated college that has a stabilite office in Lethbridge. The Faculty of Health Sciences, which includes nursing, addictions counselling and public health programs, has been successful in developing educational initiatives that assist First Nations, Metis and Inuit students in these programs.

Candidates and nominees should submit a curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, a single-page research proposal, and a letter of application or nomination indicating their interest and anticipated contribution to: Dr. Chris Hosgood, Dean, Faculty af Health Sciences, University of Lethbridge, 4401 University Drive West, Lethbridge, Alberta, T1K 3M4.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The position is open to all qualified applicants, although preference will be given to Canadian critizens and permenent residents of Canada. The University is an inclusive and equivable compass encouraged applications from qualified women and men including personas with disabless, members of visible minorities, and Aboriginal personas and applications from qualified women and men including personas with disabless, members of visible minorities, and Aboriginal personas.

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Dr. Jeremy R. Cooperstack, Director, Shered Reality Lab
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Associate Professor in Leadership Studies, **Haskayne School of Business**

The Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary is seeking qualified candidates to fill a tenure-track/ tenured position at the Associate Protessor level in Leadership Studies. Exceptional candidates at the Assistant Professor level will also be considered. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in management or a related discipline (such as business economics or applied psychology), and a proven track record of several publications in high impact management journals (especially 'Financial Times 45' and 'ABS 4 star' Journals). They must also provide evidence of effective teaching at the university-level.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach core undergraduate and graduate courses in OB/OT, with a special tocus on leadership issues. She/he will also be expected to assume a leadership role in research and be available for university community service. The anticipated starting date is January 1 or July 1, 2013, but an earlier starting date can be considered for an exceptional candidate.

Accredited by AACSB International, the Haskayne School of Business is a progressive and innovative business school. Our mission is to create and communicate knowledge of critical significance, while contributing to the development of our students as leaders of moral character with protessional ability equal to the best in their field.

Interested individuals should submit their curriculum vitae, along with the names of three references and examples of teaching evaluations, to:

Protessor Alain Verbeke, Ph.O. McCalg Chair in Management Human Resources and Organizational Oynamics Area Chair Strategy and Global Management Area Chair Haskayne School of Business, University of Calgary 2500 University Orive NW Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2N 1N4 Telephone: (403) 220-8532 (Area Secretary; Ms. Jackie Hunt) F-mail: alain.verbeke@haskavne.ucalgarv.ca

Applications should be submitted before May 31st, 2012, but the position will remain open until filled.

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Tenure-Track Assistant Professor BIOMEDICAL PHYSIOLOGY AND KINESIOLOGY

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The Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology (http://www.sfu.ca/bpk/) has over 25 faculty members, is committed to excellence in research and teaching, and has outstanding research facilities. Our research encompasses the study of physiology, neuromechanics, and health. Excellent research facilities upport collaborative research both within our Department and across the University. The Department currently has faculty with research programs tocused on the tollowing chronic diseases: cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes and obesity, osteoporsis; neurodegenerative diseases and spinal cord injury. The successful candidate will be expected to have a strong interest in one or more of these or complementary diseases and set up an active, independent, and well-funded research program that integrates well into the department as a whole.

The undergraduate and graduate programs in our Department include core and elective courses in human physiology, anatomy, neuromechanics, and nutrition. The successful candidate will make a commitment to teach these courses and supervise graduate students. Our undergraduate teaching program includes three distinct undergraduate majors: Kinesiology, Biomedical Physiology and Behavioural Reuroscience. We also have well-established graduate programs at the M.Sc. and Ph.D. levels, with particular strengths in Cardiovascular Physiology, Neuromechanics, Chronic Diseases, Environmental Physiology, and Neuroscience.

Our Department is located at the Burnaby Mountain campus of Simon Fraser University in Metro Vancouver. Simon Fraser University is consistently one of the top-ranked universities in Canada. The Vancouver area is renowned as one of the most desirable places to live and work.

The Search Committee wifl begin considering applications on June 30th 2012 and will continue to accept applications until the position is fille the anticipated start date is negotiable, but it is expected that the individual will start no later than September 2 u.3.

Applications should be sent as a single PDF file inclusive of (and book marked tor) the tollowing sections: 1) cover letter; 2) curriculum vitae including teaching experience; 3) one-page statement of research directions and integration within our department, 4) there representative publications; 5) one-page statement of teaching philosophy and 6) names, titles and addresses (including e-mail address) of at least three referees. This PDF file can be sent as an e-mail attachment to Dr. Glen Tibbits (ophchalf@stu.ca), Chair, Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, VSA 1S6, Canada

Simon Fraser University is committed to employment equity and welcomes applications from all qualified men and women. All qualified and some control of the property of the property of the property of the given priority. All appointments are subject to funding, Please note that under the University for personal information that is required by the University for academic appointment competitions will be collected. For further details see the Collection Notice at http://www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/faculty_openings/collection_notice.html.

CAPE BRETON UNIVERSITY

Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) **Determinants of Healthy Communities** Reference #CRC1204

Cape Breton University's 2012-2013 Academic Plan recognized Sustainable Energy & Environments, Culture & Heritage, Community Health, and Community Economic Development as four broad and interacting research themes. In partnership with the Cape Breton District Health Authority (CBDHA), CBU is pursuing the establishment of a Centre for Population Health Research.

As part of the institutional commitment to developing and supporting these emerging research themes, the School of Professional Studies invites applications from outstanding candidates for a Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in an area of research related to the Determinants of Healthy Communities. Appointment to a faculty position will be conditional on the selected candidate being awarded a Canada Research Chair. The tenure-track appointment will be made at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor, with a start date of July 2013 or later. The successful candidate will work with the Office of Research and Graduate Studies to develop a Chair nomination to be submitted to the CRC Secretariat in 2012. The union affiliation of this position is with the CBU as part of the institutional commitment to develop-The union affiliation of this position is with the CBU Faculty Association.

For further position details and for application requirements, visit - www.cbu.ca/employment.

Review of applications will commence June 30, 2012 and will continue until the position is filled.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. CBU is an equal opportunities employer.

Cape Breton University Human Resources Dept.

P.O. Box S300, 12SO Grand Lake Road Sydney, NS B1P 6L2 Website: www.cbu.ca

CAREERS CARRIÈRES

Division of Community Health and Humanities FACULTY OF MEDICINE



Assistant Professor in Health Policy/Health Care Delivery

The Division of Community Health and Humanities, Memorial University invites applications for a full-time appointment in Health Policy/Health Care Delivery (Tenure Track).

The appointment will be at the Assistant Professor level. Initial rank and salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The appointment is for a tenure-track position (subject to budgetary approval). The successful candidate will contribute to teaching in the undergraduate and graduate programs; establish an independent, externally funded program of research, and participate in service activities.

Candidates should hold a PhD in health policy, health administration, applied health service activities. Candidates should hold a PhD in health policy, health administration, applied health services research or related field. Individuals who are currently in the later stages of their graduate training are encouraged to apply as are senior health policy analysts or administrators with appropriate academic qualifications. Priority will be given to applicants with expertise in quantitative research methods, knowledge of the Canadian health care system, a promising publication record in refereed journals, teaching experience, and the ability to develop a productive research program supported by external funding. The candidate's area of research should fall within the mandate of the Division. http://www.med.mun.ca/Community Health/Home,aspx.

Applications should be addressed to:
Dr. Shree Mulay, Associate Dean
Division of Community Health and Humanities
Faculty of Medicine
Memorial University of Newfoundland
St. Johns, Newfoundland and Labrador, A18 3V6

Applications can be submitted electronically to smeadus@mun.ca or by fax; (709) 777-7382.

The application package should include curriculum vitae, contact details of three referees, one sample of scholarly writing, and a letter of application including an overview and discussion of qualifications and interests as they relate to the position. Please state reference number VPA-MEDI-2011-001 in your application package

Applications will be accepted until July 1, 2012

The Faculty of Medicine is located in the Health Science Centre on the campus of Memorial University. This facility also houses the Schools of Nursing and Pharmacy, the Health Science Library, the General Hospital, the H. Bliss Murphy Cancer Centre, and the Janeway Children's Hospital. The integrated complex allows for close working felationships in both research and teaching among the Faculties of Medicine and the Schools of Nursing and Pharmacy.

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Located in the heart of Toronto, the largest and most culturally diverse city in the country, Ryerson University is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. The University is known for innovative programs built on the integration of theoretical and practically oriented learning. Our undergraduate and graduate programs are distinguished by a prolessionally focused curriculum and strong emphasis on excellence in teaching, research and creative activities. Ryerson is also a leader in adult learning, with the largest university-based continuing aducation echool in Canada

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IN REVIEW

Childhood under Siege How Big Business Targets Children



Joel Bakan. Toronto, ON: Allen Lane Canada, 2011; 277 pp; ISBN: 978-0-67006-907-1, cloth \$32 CAD. A Quick Quiz: True or False?

- 43 per cent of children in the U.S. under age two watch TV every day.
- 40 per cent of four- to six-year-olds have TVs in their bedrooms.
- Since 2000, the diagnosis of pediatric bipolar disorder increased
 44 times from the previous decade.

Reviewed by JUOY HAIVEN

IVE yourself a pat on the back if you thought the only false statement in the quiz was the final one: that statement is true but it comes from Nelson Mandela, not Mr. Harper.

In Childhood Under Siege, author Joel Bakan digs deeply into childhood in the U.S. and Canada and comes up with staggering facts and figures. He starts with the premise that society pretends to value children by passing laws to protect them from sexual predators, to nurture and educate them. However our society is also quick to push protections aside when it seeks to maximize the "economic value" of children. (p. 163)

Every chapter of this book focuses on an aspect of the devaluation of childhood and children. The first chapter touches on the plight of children in the early 20th cen-

- 10 years ago, Britain forbade prescribing most psychotropic drugs to children and teens, as these drugs tend to trigger suicides in some young patients.
- In British Columbia, a child as young as 12 can work at almost any job, any time of the day or night, as long as it's not during school hours.

tury, dubbed "the century of the child" by one author in 1900. In 1959, when the United Nations passed its Declaration of the Rights of the Child, governments especially in the developed world — were "on the hook" for protecting children from violence, safeguarding their well-being, providing free education and ending child labour. (p. 8)

But by the 1970s, when western leaders such as British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher raised the cry for 'individual freedom,' a neoliberal economic agenda began to unravel many social programs, and undermine children's welfare. (p. 9) Bakan, who is also the author of the celebrated book *The Corporation*, insists that since corporations have beaten back and diminished the role of government, children of the 21st century have been rendered more vulnerable today than half a century ago.

- Canada and the U.S. refuse to sign an international treaty against the employment of children under the age of 15.
- "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children..."
 - Stephen Harper Prime Minister of Canada

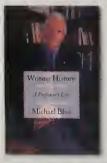
According to Bakan, television — what parents in the 1970s and 1980s jokingly called the "electronic babysitter" — has morphed into something more sinister. Seven out of 10 teens in the U.S. have televisions in their bedrooms, along with video game consoles, computers, internet connections and cell phones. "With another hour per day spent texting and talking on cell phones, tweens and teens are engaged with media each day, on average, for nearly twice as long as they attend school. Only two hours [Bakan's emphasis] a day remains when they are not on media, at school or asleep." (p. 53)

Violence on television, social media and video games has become mainstream enter-tainment for children of all ages. While the jury is still out on the effects on young people of watching and virtually engaging in

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IN REVIEW

Writing History A Professor's Life



Michael Bliss. Toronto, ON: Oundurn, 2011; 428 pp; ISBN: 978-1-55488-953-2, cloth \$40 cap.

Reviewed by GREGORY S. KEALEY

N his well-written autobiography, Michael Bliss sets out to explain to readers "what it was like to be a university professor in North America in the last half of the twentieth century" and to describe "the process of writing history." Both aims are articulated in his tille. For this reader he is most successful at achieving his second goal, rather less so at his first.

Let me identify at the outset that I was a student of Michael's in 1969, his first year of teaching at the University of Toronto. As careful readers will note, I am lumped together with a series of New Left student radicals for whom the author can hardly hide his contempt. Steve Langdon and Bob Rae get their lumps, but on pp. 145–6, I am described as "menacing and blustering," a student who "contained his annoyance and rudeness just short of direct confrontation."

After a few begrudging remarks about my subsequent career, he launches into further discussions of student radicalism at U of T in the early 1970s, especially the Banfield affair of 1974,† without noting the changes in the politics or the east of characters. As a scholar's account of the student New Left of the 1960s, it fails most tests of historical analysis

I cite these relatively few pages not only to disclose and simultaneously to dismiss, but also to develop my theme that the book is best when Bliss turns to historical research and writing and worst when he comments on Canadian universities as he has experienced

On the former he waxes eloquent on the subjects of his historical passions — business history, political history, and most powerfully, medical history and biography. His adventures in publishing, his choice of subject matter, his archival and oral history discoveries, the hard, diligent work of research and writing are all covered in loving and fascinating detail. His descriptions of the work on Banting and Best, on the discovery of insulin, on Osler, and on Cushing all make for compelling reading.

Far less intriguing, except for their curious iconoclasm, are his views on Canadian academic life in his 40 years of university teaching, all at the U of T. The last point is, of course, a telling one which bears considerable reflection from readers, especially because it goes virtually unnoticed by the author.

A youthful star, chosen to accompany U of T president Claude Bissell to Harvard in 1968, he commences full-time teaching at his alma mater before even completing his PhD While he earned his stripes in his first decade

with relatively heavy undergraduate and graduate work as well as a fine research and publishing record, his career from the late 1970s forward is unlike that of most Canadian university professors, even those at relatively elite institutions like U of T.

This is quite simply never acknowledged. Hence, while his career makes for compelling reading, it should not be confused with the description of a typical Canadian university professor's life in the late 20th century.

His cherished, self-described iconoclasm and sharp individualism are constantly on display in his discussions of university life and politics. He bemoans the evils of academic administration and savagely criticizes. Urof T vice-president Jill Ker Conway [1973–1975] and president John Evans [1972–1978] at considerable length. He self-righteously writes of refusing to pursue administrative position at U of T, only to complain of his failed attempt at gaining the presidency of Trent University.

Similarly, he is consistently critical of funding agencies, especially the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and the Canada Council for the Arts, although when he finally wins a Killam Prize in the late 1990s he says little about it. Meanwhile, SSHRC is